

SENATE COMMEMORATION NO. 9

Introduced by: Senators Kloucek, Bogue, Dempster, Koetzle, Kooistra, Koskan, Moore, and Sutton (Dan) and Representatives Van Gerpen, Bartling, Cutler, Deadrick (Thomas), Gassman, Haverly, Klaudt, Lange, Nesselhuf, Peterson (Jim), Putnam, Rounds, Sebert, Thompson, and Van Norman

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Honoring the 2002 Avon Pirates High School football team and the students and staff involved in the football program.

WHEREAS, the 2002 Avon Pirates High School football team won the South Dakota 9A High School Championship with an undefeated 12-0 record by virtue of outstanding character, dedication to excellence, and perseverance on and off the field; and

WHEREAS, the Avon Pirates High School football team received superior wisdom and superb leadership guidance from head coach Tom Culver and assistant coaches Mel Fathke, Brice Bultje, Jan Mudder, Tom Oster, and Mark Mudder; and

WHEREAS, All-State honors were given to Jeff Haenfler, Chris Fathke, Ryan Cihak, Terry Voigt, Gregg Voigt, and honorable mention to Paul Van Gerpen, for their exceptional performances and dedication during the 2002 season:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Seventy-eighth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that the Avon Pirates High School football team be recognized for their excellence in athletics and academics for the 2002-2003 school year.